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Our Case No. 9793/116
Weickmann Ref. 11051P US-WO-1/WW
RDC Ref. RDID 0089 US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

For: Oligomeric Carrier Molecules with
Defined Incorporated Marker
Groups and Haptens

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Group Art Unit No. 1639

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed May 21, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this communication.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this communication.